

Harris, Bert

July 30, 2009



Bert Harris

Bert Harris passed away peacefully on Wednesday, August 12th, 2009 in Central Butte Hospital, at the age of 82 years. A Graveside Service will be held on Saturday, August 15th, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. in Riverhurst Cemetery. Pastor Bill Thomson of Trinity United Church in Moose Jaw will officiate. Bert was predeceased by his wife Emma in 2005; his father Wilbert in 1971; his mother Nellie in 1974; his step-son Albert in 1985; his brother Gerald in 2002; and his sister Verna in 1988. He will be lovingly remembered by his sister Elva Whidden; his brother Orville Harris; his step-son John (Teresa); 5 grandchildren; 1 great grandchild; and many nieces and nephews. Bert was born in Fox Valley, Saskatchewan on February 21st, 1927, in the office of the Pool Elevator, where the family lived. He grew up in Riverhurst and lived there for most of his life. He married Emma Helen (nee Bartlette) in 1978. Because of his wife's poor health, they moved to Regina in 1992. In March of 2009, Bert moved to Iver Main Place in Central Butte. Bert was active as a young boy in Cubs, Scouts and Cadets. Bert was a man of many talents and had a variety of jobs in his lifetime. He worked in

the butcher shop and for Jack Miller in Riverhurst. He also did carpentry work and drove the school bus. In 1950 Bert went to Dawson City to work in the oil fields with a Seismography crew. In 1960 he drove a Cat Packer to help build the Qu'Appelle Dam at Elbow. And for 20 years he worked on the Riverhurst Ferry. Bert was a very loving and devoted husband. Family meant a great deal to him. He was always interested in everyone, always keeping in touch by phone. Bert was the Care person for family contact. Bert took great pride in his appearance and in his home. He enjoyed music and played his CD's all the time. Bert also enjoyed going on the casino bus tours. He would get very excited when he won, rubbing his hands together in glee. Bert was a humble man. He never liked to be a bother. He was a quiet, loving and happy-go-lucky man. He will be missed by all who knew him. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Bert's name may be made to the Saskatchewan Lung Association; Box 58000, Saskatoon, Sask. S7K 7Y4.